



The Ethics of Abortion: New Arguments and New Insights to Old Arguments

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This Special Issue of *Philosophies* invites contributions from philosophers and ethicists who desire to continue the dialogue, discussion, and argumentation over the moral issue of abortion, focusing on new arguments and original insights into old arguments. Our goal is to introduce new lines of thought that contribute original arguments to the ethics of abortion or original insights and responses to some of the most influential and prominent literature on this topic. We are open to a wide array of topics in the ethics of abortion, including but not limited to the following: the metaphysical issue of personhood; the moral status of the fetus; pro-life and pro-choice arguments based on the potentiality of the fetus; feminist approaches to the abortion issue; abortion within the contexts of broader social, racial, and ethnic issues; a rights perspective to the abortion issue; killing and deprivation arguments on abortion; a virtue ethics approach to abortion; and personal identity arguments. Arguments that defend pro-choice and pro-life positions are welcome, as well as arguments that attempt to find a middle ground.





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